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PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 10467.0015/US/1
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Jonathon C. Stiff

Appl. No.: 10/796,859

Filed: March 8, 2004

For: CIRCUIT AND METHOD FOR
IMPLEMENTING A LOW SUPPLY VOLTAGE
CURRENT REFERENCE

Confirmation No. 2439

Examiner: William Hernandez

GAU: 2816

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2))

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The Examiner is requested to consider the references noted on the enclosed Form 1449 (PTO/SB/08A) during examination of the above-identified patent application. The references are submitted for the Examiner's consideration and are submitted pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. In submitting these references, no representation is made or implied that the references are or are not material to the examination of the application. The Examiner is encouraged to make his or her own determination of materiality of all cited references on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patent references are not provided herewith.

RESPONSE TO CLAIM REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. SECTION 102(b)

The office action rejected claims 10, 13 and 15, 17 and 19 under §102(b) as being anticipated by Gillingham. The office action also rejected claims 10, 15 and 17-19 under §102(b) as being anticipated by Kobatake. The office action also rejected claims 10, 13, 15, 16 and 19 under §102(e) as being anticipated by Morishita. Dependent claims 15-19 have been amended to depend from allowed claim 11 and independent claims 11 and 13 have been amended from independent form to depend from allowed claim 11. Since claims 11, 13 and 15-19 as amended depend from an allowable base claim, the Applicant believes that the rejected claims are now allowable. Appropriate action is respectfully requested.

NEW CLAIM

A new dependent claim 20 has been added with the element "wherein the first and second transistors are p-channel MOSFETS" taken from canceled independent claim 10. Since new claim 20 depends from an allowable base claim, the Applicant believes that the new claim is also allowable. Appropriate action is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

No fees are due with this Response. It is noted that the attorney's Docket number has been changed from 2059/US/2 to 10467.0015/US/1, and going forward the 10467.0015/US/1 will be used as the Attorney Docket number.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Amendment, please contact the undersigned at 303-223-1115.

Respectfully submitted,

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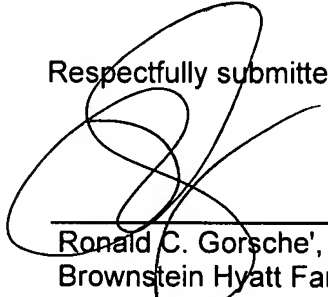
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), please find attached a check in the amount of \$180.00
the required fee for this submission. Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact
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